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## \* VOTING PROCEDURES IN IUPAC COUNCIL (as of 20 June 2003)

There are 44 Delegations eligible to vote with a total of 146 assigned votes. The number of assigned votes may be changed on the day of the Council if there are NAOs in arrears at that time.

### 1. Scientific Matters (Bylaw 2.11)

Voting by individual Delegates present at time of voting - simple majority on show of hands (74 if all assigned votes are cast).

### 2. Non-scientific Matters (Bylaw 2.2)

Voting by Delegation Cards - simple majority of votes cast is mandatory for all election matters, but see 2.4 below (74, if all assigned votes are cast).

(each Delegation must cast all of its votes in the same sense)

#### 2.1 Admission and Removal of Members (Bylaw 2.21)

2.1.1 Admission - simple majority of Delegation Card votes cast  
(74, if all assigned votes are cast)

2.1.2 Removal - 75% of Delegation Card votes cast  
(110, if all assigned votes are cast)

#### 2.2 Election of Officers (Bylaw 2.222)

Secret ballot by Delegation Voting Slips - simple majority of votes cast  
(74, if all assigned votes are cast)

(see second paragraph of Bylaw 2.222 for elimination procedure in case of lack of simple majority of votes)

#### 2.3 Election of Bureau Members (Bylaw 2.222)

Secret ballot by Delegation Voting Slips - simple majority of votes cast per Bureau Member  
(74, if all assigned votes are cast)

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(see third paragraph of Bylaw 2.222 for elimination procedure in case of lack of simple majority of votes for necessary numbers of candidates)

2.4 Other Non-scientific Matters (Bylaw 2.23)

At the discretion of the Council, such matters may be adopted without a formal vote, for example, by a show of hands.

3. Change of Bylaw (Bylaw 6.2)

Voting by Delegation Cards – more than 50% of assigned votes (74)

4. Change of Statute (Statute 14.3)

Voting by Delegation Cards - 66.6% of assigned votes (98).

*Note.* Abstentions (Statute 5.32): In all Council voting procedures, abstentions shall not be recorded as votes.